



Meetings: (monthly) 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Hoosier Bar & Grill**
Richland Plaza, Ellettsville, Indiana
 *Club Meetings June - September, Held At The Club's Flying Site
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April (Spring!) 2008

March's Meeting Notes...

The Monroe County R/C Club's March meeting got underway at 7:03:03 in the meeting room at Hoosier Bar & Grill with thirty-two members in attendance. Delbert announced that we have a new sponsor. RC Jets Unlimited is owned by club member Rick Mowery & is located in Bedford. Rick is a custom r/c aircraft builder & is a dealer for Aeroworks, QQ Aircraft Company, Tamjets, Maxx Products, Fromeco, Fei Bao Jets, Yellow Aircraft, Jetcat Turbines, Extreme Flight, & Cermark. He is also becoming a dealer for Wildcat Fuels & is going to assist us with this year's bulk fuel order. Be sure to thank Rick for his sponsorship & remember to contact him with your equipment & construction needs. Delbert also announced that Western Skateland has renewed their sponsorship for 2008. Thanks to club members Carl, Dale, & Megan Terpenning. It was brought up that many of the sponsor signs on the club shelter are in bad shape. Several members had suggestions on how to construct new ones that would stand up to the Southern exposure better & longer. They will do some experimenting & have a meeting of the minds on this issue.



We have a new member from Unionville. Please welcome Jeff Lutane when you see him at the field. He wasn't at the meeting but mailed his membership information & dues to Delbert. It was decided that (since we already had his money) we should go ahead & vote him in! Welcome to the club Jeff!

Tim Mellott reported that all thirty-one tables were sold at the club swap meet on February 24th. General admissions were down a little from last year but since we raised the admission price from \$2.00 to \$3.00 this year, we did alright. There was some discussion about changing the date next year to a Saturday instead of Sunday. Contact Tim if you have an opinion at warbird1@sbcglobal.net or call him at 812-829-8821. Thanks to all who participated & helped set up & run the event!

Mark reminded everybody that club dues are due & that members must have their AMA memberships renewed also before flying at the club field.

Club members Lane Jorgensen & Dennis Friesel have been assisting the 7th & 8th grade students at Jackson Creek School

with their "Science Olympiad" projects. Thanks Lane & Dennis for being our club ambassadors at the school!

The Academy of Model Aeronautics is taking applications from interested clubs again this year to host a Take off And Grow (TAG) program. The object is the same as last year but the rules are a little different. Clubs must submit a budget and a plan, which requires more paperwork & participant follow-up after the event. The AMA will help with the expenses but will not provide equipment as they did last year. Randy Byers volunteered to work on a plan & a budget which must be submitted to the AMA in April.

The club voted to change the date of it's annual air show to September 14th, from it's traditional August date in hopes that the weather won't be so oppressive. It's been very hot on air show day the last few years which has kept some people from attending & made it hard on the poor old guys participating in & running the show. With the date change, advertising will be very important this year & will be combined with the TAG event, if out application to host one is accepted.

Jim Scott will CD the "Nothin But Cubs" fly-in on Saturday, May 31st. This is not the day to bring out your heli, jet, or Extra. Contact Mr. Scott about what you can fly at the event at jimscott7707@yahoo.com or give him a call at 812-824-9817.

Tim Mellott will CD a 4-Stroke Event on Saturday, June 21st. This one also sounds self-explanatory but you can contact Tim to be sure. His contact info is back a few paragraphs with the swap meet info.

Joe Rogers has announced that Saturday, June 28th has been selected for the 2nd annual "Charlie Built" fly-in at Nebo Memorial R/C Field in Martinsville. Joe will be cooking the hamburgers & hotdogs again this year. This event is in honor of one of the club's most prolific r/c aircraft builders, Mr. Charlie Thompson. You won't want to miss it, even if you don't own one of Charlie's creations.

Sunday, August 10th. Was selected as the date for the 2008 club picnic. Tim Mellott & Randy Byers will be running the grills again. Members will bring a covered dish, table service, & drinks. The hamburgers & hotdogs will be provided by the club. Come early & stay late.

Bob Watson nominated long time club member Carl Terpenning for life member status. The club voted that they agreed. Congratulations Carl on your life membership in the Monroe County R/C Club & thanks for your many years of service!

Mark announced that no by-laws changes were proposed this year which means that the nice laminated copies at the field that were prepared by Michael Friesel last year can remain another year unchanged.

Mark gave a plug for the Sr. Pattern Contest that is scheduled for July 26-27 at Atterbury. A flyer for the event was also passed around.

The club voted to renew the subscription to Model Aviation Magazine that we have had sent to Fairview School for many years. Michael Friesel is investigating the possibility of having the new Park Pilot Magazine sent to the public library.

Mark thanked Dave Poland for contributing some good material for the newsletter last month. Your ideas are always welcome.

The April club meeting will be at Hoosier Bar & Grill as it has for several months but we may be moving to a new location in May. Club member Dr. Matt Fornefeld has a new office on Landmark Avenue in Bloomington. Stay tuned for details next month. Congratulations to Dr. Matt & thanks to Hoosier Bar & Grill in Ellettsville for allowing us to meet in their facility!

The annual bulk fuel order has hit a snag. Our source for Sig fuel is not available any more and Mark is researching the possibilities. Fuel prices have risen & shipping costs are through the roof. Rick Mowery of RC Jets Unlimited may be able to assist. He is trying to become a fuel dealer. If you have fuel ordered or were thinking about ordering, stay in contact with Mark Sexton. He needs to know how many gallons of fuel we might be getting to achieve a particular price break. Don't delay, contact Mark now at cudaman321@sbcglobal.net or call him at 812-327-6012.

Boy Scout leader Robin Sighting of Martinsville called to invite the club to participate in the 2008 Scout-O-Rama on April 26th. The scouts enjoyed our static display, simulator stations, & flight demonstrations at last year's Scout-O-Rama & would like us to do a repeat performance this year with a little less wind.

Tim Mellott brought in his new "Stager Bee" ARF for show & tell.

The meeting was finally closed at 8:20:44. Whewww...

Interesting Bits...

Some of you are now nationally famous. Some of the pictures from last year's TAG program finally appeared in Model Aviation Magazine. Check it out if you missed it.

You might have missed Michael Friesel's picture in another national magazine a few months ago when they did a story on the pylon racing group. Keep up the good work Michael!

Mike Habig has filled in some dates on the event calendar from the Johnson County club's newsletter. Thanks Mike!

Thanks again, as always, to Delbert Davis for helping proof read this newsletter!

You can order a BMT (a Subway sandwich) at the Cracker Barrel but you'll probably get a BLT & a funny look from the waitress. Just ask Mark Curtis...

It's Spring & time to think about doing a little field work. Fill the ruts, plant some grass, tidy up, spray for weeds, pull the

roller, & what not. Anybody want to organize a work day?

Event Calendar

- April 4-6 Toledo Show**
- April 9 Monthly Club Meeting**
- April 26 Scout-O-Rama Show (Martinsville)**
- May 3 Steve Shoop's Butterfly Hills Fly-In**
- May 14 Monthly Club Meeting**
- May 16-18 Dayton Hamvention**
- May 31 "Nothin But Cubs" Fly-In (Club Field)**
- June 11 Monthly Club Meeting (at the field)**
- June 21 2nd Annual 4-Stroke Event (Club Field)**
- June 28 2nd Annual "Charlie Built" Fly-In at Nebo Memorial R/C Field (Martinsville)**
- July 9 Monthly Club Meeting**
- July 19 Atterbury Warbird Fly-In**
- July 26-27 Hoosier Hospitality Sr. Pattern Contest (Atterbury)**
- July 28-August 3 Airventure "Oshkosh"**
- August 10 Club Picnic (Club Field)**
- August 13 Monthly Club Meeting**
- August 29-31 Dayton Giant Scale R/C Air Show**
- September 5-7 Heartnut Fly (Atterbury)**
- September 10 Monthly Club Meeting**
- September 14 Annual Club Air Show (Club Field)**
- September 20 TAG Program (pending application)**
- October 8 Monthly Club Meeting**
- October 11 Nebo Fall Festival Fly-In**
- October 12 Martinsville Fall foliage Festival Parade**
- October 18 Steve Shoop's Chili Cook-Off / Fly-In**
- October 18 Indy Area Swap Meet & Hobby Expo**
- November 12 Monthly Club Meeting**
- December 10 Annual Christmas Dinner/Meeting**
- February 22, 2009 Annual Club Swap Meet**



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